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From: Commanding Officer, Coast Guard Sector San Francisco

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Subj: YEAR 2005 NORTH COAST, SAN FRANCISCO BAY AND DELTA, AND
CENTRAL COAST AREA CONTINGENCY PLAN; LETTER OF PROMULGATION

1. As mandated by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA 90), the Year 2005 revision of the North Coast, San Francisco Bay and Delta and Central Coast Area Contingency Plan (ACP) has been completed and is effective upon receipt. This marks the seventh revision of this plan and replaces the 2000 North Coast, San Francisco Bay and Delta and Central Coast ACP. This edition remains in effect until superseded.

2. This ACP incorporates National Incident Management System (NIMS) terminology and National Response Plan (NRP) management constructs in accordance with Commandant (G-MOR) Instruction 3120.14 of August 1998. In addition, this revision has brought the ACP into alignment with the Regional Contingency Plan (RCP) for Region IX. Many sections previously covered in the ACP now reference the RCP to promote standardization of response procedures throughout the region.

3. The revisions in this plan are a result of the Area Committee's efforts to make it more complete, up-to-date, and useful; to the planner and responder. As a result, this edition includes: new information on Hazardous Substance (HAZSUB) response, marine salvage and lightering, essential fish habitat provisions of the Magnuson Stevens Act, the National Historic Preservation Act Programmatic Agreement, and updates and improvements to sensitive site strategies and geographic response areas. Area Committees will continue to improve the ACP by identifying omissions and shortfalls and incorporating lessons learned into future revisions.

4. The year 2005 ACP will continue to be made available to the public via Internet at the Coast Guard Headquarters (G-MOR-2) web site <http://www.uscg.mil/vrp/acp/acp.shtml> and the California Office of Spill Prevention and Response web site at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/Ospr/>. Publication on the Internet allows the Area Committees to update their plans as pertinent information develops and changes. Updates will be noted on the web page as they are posted.

5. Comments and recommendations regarding this plan are welcome and should be submitted through the appropriate Area Committee.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. J. Uberti".

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Captain of the Port

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